

## A Brave New World: Effective, Efficient and Cost- Responsible Alternatives in Criminal Justice ALEC Annual Meeting 2015

**Mr. Aryeh Lightstone**  
Nachum Segal Network

Aryeh (Ari) Lightstone was born in Denver, CO and has had deep involvement in education, entrepreneurship and politics from an early age. Today, Ari serves as the Senior Vice President at Copia. Aryeh is an experienced management executive skilled in product & business development, strategy and M&A. Ari strongly believes that we are living during one of the 'hinges' of history and therefore was inspired to found and direct both a c-4 Shining City Community and a Super Pac promoting the ideas and ideals of American exceptionalism. Ari's reputation for creative problem solving, organizational turn around and building strong foundations for growth at both starts up companies and not for profit organizations enables him to pursue this busy but fulfilling lifestyle. His strongest asset is his loving family and his inspiration for reimagining education comes from his talented teacher wife, Estee and the desire that his kids Akiva, Shayna & Simcha only get the best.



**Mr. Mark R. Smith**  
The Da Vinci Group

Mr. Smith has over twenty-three years of experience in government relations and in the private sector. He is a nationally recognized consultant on criminal justice issues related to design-build operations, management, health care, public-private partnership services with state and federal government agencies in corrections, law enforcement, health care, privatization issues and policy development.

Over the past twenty-three years, Mr. Smith has owned and managed The Da Vinci Group, Inc. a government relations and public affairs firm in Washington, DC. He enjoys relationships with several members of congress, Governors, and state lawmakers who seek his advice on an array of legislative and political issues. Mr. Smith's close relationships with key decision makers and their staff provide a position of accomplished advocacy. Mr. Smith works on both sides of the aisle on some issues which also gives Mr. Smith an advantage to understand all sides of important issues facing specific legislative bodies, while achieving greater benefit for his client's interests.



**Mr. Nick Wachinski**  
Lexington National Insurance Corporation

Nick Wachinski advises on policy and criminal justice reform across all 50 states, supervising policy, legislative projects and prospective project development in 22 states in the past two years. Prior to his current position, Wachinski served as General Counsel and policy advisor to BailUSA, Inc., and specially assigned Counsel for Seneca Insurance Company. In addition to his service to Bail USA, Inc. and its bail agents, Wachinski maintained an active practice in Pennsylvania as a member of the firm Musi, Malone and Daubensberger, LLP where he handled complex litigation in both civil and criminal matters, as well as argued before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and Superior Court. Wachinski became known, through his practice, as an expert on surety law, specifically bail, and specialized his criminal practice to the defense of complicated mental health and domestic violence matters. Wachinski has served as instructor for the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, Minor Judiciary Education Board since 2010 and was appointed an advisor to the Pennsylvania General Assembly Joint State Government Commission in 2011 as part of an initiative to restructure the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia).

